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(54) Title: USE OF IMMUNOSTIMULATORY OLIGONUCLEOTIDES FOR PREVENTING OR REDUCING ANTIGEN-STIMULATED; GRANULOCYTE-MEDIATED INFLAMMATION (57) Abstract <p>The invention relates to methods for preventing or reducing antigen-stimulated, granulocyte-mediated inflammation in tissue of an antigen-sensitized mammal host by delivering an immunostimulatory oligonucleotide to the host. In addition, methods for using the immunostimulatory oligonucleotides to boost a mammal host's immune responsiveness to a sensitizing antigen (without immunization of the host by the antigen) and shifting the host's immune responsiveness to a Th1 phenotype to achieve various therapeutic ends are provided. Kits for practicing the methods of the invention are also provided.</p>		

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